IC 2-5-1.2

Chapter 1.2. Definitions and General Provisions Relating to the Operation of a Committee

IC 2-5-1.2-1

Application of chapter; exceptions

- Sec. 1. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) or otherwise in this article, this chapter applies to all committees established under this article.
 - (b) This chapter does not apply to the following:
 - (1) The legislative council and code revision commission (IC 2-5-1.1).
 - (2) The public officers compensation advisory commission (IC 2-5-1.6).
 - (3) The commission on interstate cooperation (IC 2-5-2).
 - (4) The commission on state tax and financing policy (IC 2-5-3).
 - (5) The natural resources study committee (IC 2-5-5).
 - (6) The pension management oversight commission (IC 2-5-12).
 - (7) The probate code study commission (IC 2-5-16).
 - (8) The administrative rules oversight committee (IC 2-5-18).
 - (9) The census data advisory committee (IC 2-5-19).
 - (10) The commission on military and veterans affairs (IC 2-5-20).
 - (11) A committee covered by IC 2-5-21.
 - (12) The health finance commission (IC 2-5-23).
 - (13) The water resources study committee (IC 2-5-25).
 - (14) The commission on developmental disabilities (IC 2-5-27.2).
 - (15) The youth advisory council (IC 2-5-29).
 - (16) The unemployment insurance oversight committee (IC 2-5-30).
 - (17) The criminal law and sentencing policy study committee (IC 2-5-33.4).

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.6-2012, SEC.4; P.L.133-2012, SEC.1; P.L.205-2013, SEC.38.

IC 2-5-1.2-2

Application of definitions

Sec. 2. The definitions in this chapter apply throughout this article except in a statute listed in section 1 of this chapter. *As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.*

IC 2-5-1.2-3

"Appointing authority"

Sec. 3. "Appointing authority" refers to the office that has the duty to appoint a committee member under this article. *As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.*

IC 2-5-1.2-4

"Committee"

Sec. 4. "Committee" refers to a commission, a committee, or another body (however designated) established under this article. *As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.*

IC 2-5-1.2-5

"House"

Sec. 5. "House" refers to the house of representatives of the general assembly.

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.

IC 2-5-1.2-6

"President pro tempore"

Sec. 6. "President pro tempore" refers to the president pro tempore of the senate of the general assembly. *As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.*

IC 2-5-1.2-7

"Senate"

Sec. 7. "Senate" refers to the senate of the general assembly. *As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.*

IC 2-5-1.2-8

"Speaker"

Sec. 8. "Speaker" refers to the speaker of the house of representatives of the general assembly.

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.

IC 2-5-1.2-9

Filling vacancies

- Sec. 9. (a) If a vacancy occurs on a committee, the appointing authority that appointed the member whose position is vacant shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy.
- (b) An individual appointed to fill a vacancy must have the qualifications that a member appointed by the appointing authority must have.
 - (c) An individual appointed to fill a vacancy serves:
 - (1) for the remainder of the term of the member the individual is appointed to succeed, if committee members have a term set under this article; or
 - (2) at the pleasure of the appointing authority, if subdivision (1) does not apply.

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.

IC 2-5-1.2-10

Legislative services agency provides staff support

Sec. 10. The legislative services agency shall provide staff support to a committee.

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.

IC 2-5-1.2-11

Per diem, mileage, travel allowances

Sec. 11. Each member of a committee is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to individuals who serve as legislative and lay members, respectively, of interim study committees established by the legislative council.

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.

IC 2-5-1.2-12

Number of votes required to take action

Sec. 12. The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members appointed to a committee are required for the committee to take action on any measure, including the final report. *As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.*

IC 2-5-1.2-13

Committee to operate under policies and procedures of legislative council

Sec. 13. A committee shall operate under the policies and rules of the legislative council.

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.

IC 2-5-1.2-14

Payment of committee expenses from appropriations to legislative council, legislative services agency

Sec. 14. All funds necessary for a committee to carry out its functions shall be paid from appropriations to the legislative council and the legislative services agency.

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.

IC 2-5-1.2-15

Submission of reports to legislative council

Sec. 15. A committee shall submit interim, final, and other reports to the legislative council as directed by the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.

IC 2-5-1.2-16

Committee reports are public records

Sec. 16. All reports of a committee are public records. *As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.6.*